

# Arkansas

## Milk Production Report



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This report contains the results from the quarterly *Milk Production Report* conducted during the first part of October. These results are also posted on our web site at the Internet address above, and a more detailed national report can be found at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>. Thanks to all who cooperated with this report.

### Quarterly Milk Production Down 15 Percent

Arkansas milk production during the July-September 2007 quarter was 52 million pounds, down 15 percent from the same period in 2006, and down 13 percent from the April-June 2007 quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 17,000 head, 3,000 head fewer than the same period last year, and down 500 head from the previous quarter. Nationally, the number of milk cows and milk production continued to increase from the previous year.

#### Quarterly Milk Cows and Production, Arkansas, and U.S., 2005-2007

Item/Period	Arkansas				United States			
	2005	2006	2007	% Change from 2006	2005	2006	2007	% Change from 2006
<b>Milk Cows<sup>1</sup></b>	<i>Thousand Head</i>				<i>Thousand Head</i>			
1st Quarter, Jan - March	23	21	18.0	-14	9,002	9,092	9,130	-
2nd Quarter, April - June	23	20	17.5	-13	9,042	9,128	9,129	-
3rd Quarter, July - Sept	22	20	17.0	-15	9,064	9,113	9,157	-
4th Quarter, Oct - Dec	21	19	-	-	9,064	9,115	-	-
<b>Milk Production<sup>2</sup></b>	<i>Million Pounds</i>				<i>Million Pounds</i>			
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter, Jan- March	77	71	61	-14	43,326	45,547	46,006	+1
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter, April - June	80	71	60	-15	45,825	46,930	47,429	+1
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter, July - Sept	74	61	52	-15	44,119	44,710	46,114	+3
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter, Oct - Dec	67	62	-	-	43,659	44,611	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Average number for the period includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk nursed by calves.

#### Quarterly Milk Production, July-September, Arkansas and U.S., 1998-2007

